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Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)

The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's (OPGD) Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC) will be closed until May 16 due to OPGD's office move. See below for more details.

Special Announcements

New Address for OPGD. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* moved to **Suite 1130 North** on May 6, 2005. The Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC) will be closed until May 16 due to the move. All contact information remains the same.

Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) Applications Now Available. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are now available for the 2005-2006 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and

attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at www.opgd.dc.gov. They also may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1130 North, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

Federal Opportunities

Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) Demonstration Program. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to experienced organizations to deliver capacity-building services to faith-based and community organizations through the provision of training, technical assistance, and sub-awards. Intermediary organizations will assist faith-based and community organizations with capacity-building activities in five critical areas: (1) leadership development; (2) organizational development; (3) programs and services; (4) funding; and (5) community engagement. Capacity-building activities are designed to increase an organization's sustainability and effectiveness, enhance its ability to provide social services, diversify its funding sources, and create collaborations to better serve those most in need. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses, small businesses and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 13, 2005.

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Approximately \$16.9 million is available to fund 17 awards. A match is required. For further information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-EJ-0035.html>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Next Generation Grants FY 2005. *Corporation for National and Community Service* announces funds to foster the next generation of national service organizations by providing seed money to organizations proposing new projects or programs that have the potential to become national in scope. This program will fund innovative strategies that effectively engage volunteers in service in the following two areas: (1) engaging adults age 50+ in part-time and full-time service opportunities; and (2) improving the lives of disadvantaged youth through service and mentoring. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 7, 2005. Approximately \$1.488 million is available to fund 5 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$300,000. A match is required. For further information, contact James Willie at (202) 606-5000 or jwillie@cns.gov; or go to: http://www.nationalservice.org/funding_initiatives/index.html.

Smart Growth Leadership Summit. *Environmental Protection Agency* announces funds to support EPA's strategic objective to sustain, clean up, and restore communities and the ecological systems that support them. Smart growth development practices support integrated environmental management approaches that both protect local ecosystems and support ecologically compatible development. These practices support national environmental and public health goals by protecting sensitive watersheds, minimizing water quality impacts from development, reducing air emissions by increasing transportation choices, and encouraging cleanup and sustainable redevelopment of Brownfields. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and individuals. The deadline for applications is June 13, 2005. Approximately \$120,000 is available to

fund awards, up to \$20,000. For further information, contact Ilana Preuss at (202) 566-2862 or preuss.ilana@epa.gov; or go to: http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/pdf/SG_Leadership_Summit_RFIP.pdf.

Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities--Television Access. *Department of Education* announces funds to: (1) improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology; (2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities; and (3) provide support for captioning and video description that is appropriate for use in the classroom setting. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 13, 2005. Approximately \$7.2 million is available to fund 9 awards, ranging up to \$800,000. For further information, contact Tonja Lark at (202) 245-6160 or tonja.lark@ed.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-8615.pdf>.

District Opportunities

RESPONSES TO APPLICATION QUESTIONS AND NEW DEADLINE. **The Pre-Kindergarten Incentive Program.** *Department of Human Services* announces that Responses to Applicant Questions are now available. In addition, the new deadline for applications is May 31, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. For further information, go to: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

University of the District of Columbia/State Education Agency, Adult and Family Literacy

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Lifelong Learning Coaches Grant, May 12, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Public Schools, FY 2005 DC Reading First Initiative Grant Program, May 12, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

DC Public Schools, Supplemental Educational Services Program, May 19, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, DC Arts Presenters Initiative, May 20, 2005, at 5:30 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Byrne Formula Block Grant Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Crime Victims Assistance Grant (VOCA), May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, The Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Title II Juvenile Justice Grants, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Victim Assistance Fund Increase Services-FY06, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Victim Assistance Fund Outreach-Education, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

NEW DEADLINE AND RESPONSES TO APPLICATION QUESTIONS. Department of Human Services, Pre-Kindergarten Incentive Program, May 31, 2005, at 3:30 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, East of the River Arts Initiative, June 2, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.
Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing, June 3, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, VAF Shelter Initiative, June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, VAF Victim Service Center, June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Human Services/Income Maintenance Administration, Mini-Subgrants to Small Non-Profit Community-Based Organizations, June 7, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, Arts Learning & Outreach: Arts Education Projects, June 8, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, City Arts Projects, June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, Grants-in-Aid to Organizations, June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, June 24, September 23, and December 22, 2005.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Arts and Culture. *The Jim Henson Foundation* announces funding for the creation and development of innovative works of puppet theater. While the foundation's primary focus is contemporary puppet theater for adult audiences, the organization also encourages applications for new works for families and children. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. Letters of Intent are due by June 1, 2005. Awards range from \$2,000-\$5,000. For further information, or go to:
<http://www.hensonfoundation.org/>.

Community Technology Centers. *Microsoft Community Affairs* announces funds for improving lifelong learning for disadvantaged young people and adults by providing technology skills through community technology centers. A community technology center is a free or low-cost place (in a community center, school, library, housing facility, etc.) where people of all ages and abilities can come

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to learn about computers, use the Internet, explore new careers, further their education, or participate in community activities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There is no deadline date for applications. This initiative provides grants, software donations, technical assistance, and in-kind support. For further information, go to:

<http://www.microsoft.com/mscorp/citizenship/giving/>

Environment. *Acorn Foundation* supports projects dedicated to building a sustainable future for the planet and to restoring a healthy global environment. The Foundation is interested in small and innovative community-based projects which: (1) preserve and restore habitats supporting biological diversity and wildlife; (2) advocate for environmental justice, particularly in low-income and indigenous communities; and (3) prevent or remedy toxic pollution. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is June 15, 2005. Awards range from \$5,000-\$10,000. For further information, go to:

<http://www.commoncounsel.org/pages/foundation.html>.

Grassroots Charities Serving Women and Children. *The WHO Foundation: Women Helping Others* announces funds to organizations serving women and/or children. Priorities include specific projects and programs addressing health, education and social service needs. The Foundation recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 13, 2005. For further information, go to: http://whofoundation.org/WHO_Funding.htm.

Post-National Youth Service Day (NYSD)

DisneyHand Minnie Grant. *DisneyHand and Youth Service America* announce funding to continue service that began on NYSD 2005. Eligible applicants include children and youth ages 5-14, teachers, and organizations that engage youth 5-14 in National Youth Service Day. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2005. Awards up to \$500 are available. For further information, go to: http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm.

Youth Programs. *Finish Line Youth Foundation* announces funds to support youth athletic and wellness programs. These programs place importance on living a healthy lifestyle, bolstering youths' confidence and leadership skills, and teaching them the importance of teamwork. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2005. Awards range from \$1,000-\$5,000. For further information, go to: http://www.finishline.com/store/corporate_info/youth_foundation.jsp.

Resources & Announcements

Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant Public Hearing. *Department of Human Services, Mayor's Advisory Committee on Early Childhood Development, and Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention Services* announce a public hearing on the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant on May 24, 2005, 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., at MLK Library, 901 G Street, NW, A5 Auditorium, Washington, DC. To RSVP, call (202) 727-1839.

Free Search Tools to Nonprofits. *Google*, through its new Public Service Search section, is offering nonprofit organizations two free search tools for use on their websites: SiteSearch, for searching within sites; and WebSearch, enabling users to search the Internet by keyword. The new, free service also offers traffic reports, unlimited queries, and allows for customization. No banner ads or other paid advertising will show on search result pages. For further information, go to: <http://services.google.com/publicservice/login>.

Grantseeking Basics. *The Foundation Center* offers a basic orientation to the funding research process with its Grantseeking Basics training. This session, designed for beginners, provides instruction in foundation research and identification of potential funders and is followed by a tour of the library. The orientation will take place June 7, 2005, 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m., at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC. For further information or to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/gbdc.html>.

Informational Conferences--Reintegration of Youthful Offender Program. *U.S. Department of*

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Labor will host three informational conferences for the recently announced \$19.8 million dollars to fund faith-based and community organizations to help transition released prisoners into employment. The Washington, DC conference will be held on May 26, 2005. The deadline for pre-registration is May 23, 2005. To register, go to: <http://www.pri-conference.com/>. For further information, call (301) 589-2547; or go to: <http://www.dol.gov/cfbci/funding.htm#reentry>.

Join Hands Day Awards. *Join Hands Day* is a national event that unites young people and adults in an effort to make their neighborhoods better. As part of the event, program organizers offer the Excellence Awards for outstanding event projects. The deadline for applications is June 7, 2005. Twenty awardees will be selected from volunteer projects that developed youth and adult partnerships on Join Hands Day, May 7, 2005. Selected projects will receive \$1,000 and an engraved glass award. For further information, go to: <http://www.joinhandsday.org/scripts/index.cfm?flash=yes>.

New Nonprofit Leadership Award. *The Center for Nonprofit Advancement (formerly Washington Council of Agencies)* has established a new award - The Center for Nonprofit Advancement's EXCEL Award. The award will spotlight outstanding nonprofit leaders who show excellence in the areas of innovation, motivation, community building, ethical integrity, and strategic leadership. Eligible applicants include executive directors, CEOs, presidents or other chief salaried employees of a Washington-area nonprofit organization with an annual budget of \$3 million or less. Candidates must also have served as an organization's chief executive for three years or more. Nominators can be board members, staff members, volunteers, clients, or community members. The deadline for applications is May 27, 2005. The awardee will receive a \$5,000 professional development account. In addition, each recipient's organization will receive a \$2,000 cash grant. For further information and to access the application, contact Susan Sanow at (202) 457-0540 or susans@nonprofitadvancement.org; or go to: http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/newsletter1852/newsletter_show.htm?doc_id=272935.

Nonprofit Fundraising. *Raising More Money* trains and coaches nonprofit organizations to implement a mission-based system for raising sustainable funding from individual donors. An introductory session is being offered in DC and will cover: an overview of the Raising More Money Model®; how to leave a legacy of mission-centered individual giving; how to identify and introduce ideal donors to your organization; how to personally cultivate people to become lifelong donors; and more. This session will take place on May 23, 2005, 10:00 a.m.-noon, at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street, NW, Washington DC 20001. To register, go to: <http://form.raisingmoremoney.com/calendar/midatlantic.asp>, scroll down to this session, and click Register. For additional information, contact Katie Kendall at (206) 709-9400 x 131 or katie.kendall@raisingmoremoney.com; or go to: <http://www.raisingmoremoney.com/introductions/default>.

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